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SUBJECT: GSP SEMINAR

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1. EMBASSY DOES NOT RPT NOT BELIEVE PROPOSED VISIT BY MISSION TO DISCUSS GSP WOULD PROVIDE SUFFICIENT BENEFITS TO OURSELVES OR GOP TO MAKE TRIP PAY. USAID/P DOES NOT RPT NOT HAVE APPROPRIATE FUNDING FOR THIS PURPOSE. CONGEN KARACHI WHICH WOULD BE LOGICAL SITE FOR DISCUSSIONS WITH PRIVATE SECTOR CONCURS.

2. GOP OFFICIALS HAVE BEEN SEVERELY DISAPPOINTED WITH US GSP AND ANY MEETING ON THIS SUBJECT MOST LIKELY TO DEGENERATE INTO COMPLAINTS CONCERNING WHAT US HAS NOT DONE RATHER THAN DISCUSSION OF WAYS PAKISTAN COULD UTILIZE THE SYSTEM. THE TWO SECTORS IN WHICH PAKISTAN WOULD LIKE TO INCREASE EXPORTS TO THE US ARE TEXTILES AND HAND-KNOTTED CARPETS. EXPANSION IN THE FORMER IS LIMITED BY TEXTILE QUOTAS AND THE LATTER IS EXCLUDED FROM GSP. IN PERCENTAGE OF TRADE AFFECTED BY OUR GSP, PAKISTAN KNOWS THAT IT IS FAR BELOW LDC AVERAGES. THE GOP HAS ALREADY LOOKED AT THE GSP LIST AND HAS FOUND NO MAJOR SECTORS TOWARD WHICH IT

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MIGHT DIRECT INDUSTRY. GOP OFFICIALS HAVE ALSO WATCHED THE MANY SUBSEQUENT INVESTIGATIONS AND HEARINGS RELATING TO EXCLUSION OF SPECIFIC COMMODITIES AND WONDERS HOW IT MIGHT RELIABLY PLAN TO CHANGE ITS EXPORT PRODUCT MIX.

3. WITH THE EXCEPTION OF THE TEXTILE INDUSTRY, THE REMAINING PRIVATE SECTOR IN PAKISTAN CONSISTS OF SMALL FIRMS WHICH ARE

TIED TO EXISTING PRODUCT MIXES BY LACK OF CAPITAL, EXISTING
TECHNICAL CAPABILITY AND MANAGERIAL INERTIA. AS A RESULT OF RECENT
NATIONALIZATIONS, PRIVATE ENTERPRISE IS NOT WILLING TO INCUR
MAJOR NEW INVESTMENT REQUIRED TO PRODUCE NEW PRODUCTS.
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